

Dr. J. P. Aggarwal, three other scientists— Dr. R. H. Bhawalkar, Shri S. L. Juneja and Dr. P. K. Ghosh started work on phosphor for Cathode Ray tubes. Some success was achieved by 1968. Dr. Aggarwal resigned in September, 1969 and left for U. S. A. Thereafter a new team of three Scientists of National Physical Laboratory (NPL)—Dr. P. K. Ghosh (Project Leader), Shri H. P. Narang and Shri R. K. Kapoor started a new project to develop a range of phosphors from indigenous raw materials for Television Tubes and other purposes and achieved high spectral efficiency in 1972. The patent has not yet been written by the Scientists and hence no patent has been applied for.

(c) No, Sir. Dr. J. P. Aggarwal left for U. S. A. for personal and domestic reasons.

PRODUCTION OF NEWSPRINT

♦225. SHRI BALACHANDRA MENON : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that production of newsprint is much below its demand; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to step up the production of newsprint ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In order to step up the production of Newsprint, Government have approved three schemes in the Private Sector with a total capacity of 164,500 tonnes per annum.

Further, in the Public sector, the capacity of Nepa Mills is being increased from 30,000 tonnes to 75,000 tonnes per annum. A new Newsprint Plant, with

a capacity of 80,000 tonnes per annum is also being set up in Kerala by the Hindustan Paper Corporation.

NUMBER OF THE INDUSTRIAL LICENCES ISSUED

*226. SHRI S. G. SARDESAI :
DR. Z. A. AHMAD :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Industrial licences issued in the current year; and

(b) how many of these licences have gone to the larger industrial houses ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) 411 (including 93 C.O.B. , licenses).

(b) 45 (including 24 C.O.B. licenses)

N.B— "C.O.B." means "CARRYING ON-BUSINESS"

ANNUAL PLAN FOR RAJASTHAN

•227 SHRI GANESH LAL MALI : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether annual plan for Rajasthan for 1973-74 has been submitted by that Government to the Central Government for approval;

(b) if so, the broad features thereof; and

(c) whether any guidelines had been laid down by the Planning Commission in this regards and if so, the details thereof and how far the State's annual plan conforms to the guidelines so laid down ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.